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### AMERICAN ECONOMIC ASSOCIATION AND POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION OF THE CENTRAL STATES.

The American Economic Association and the Political Science Association of the Central States held a joint meeting at Indianapolis, from December 27, 1895, to January 2, 1896. The following is the official program of the scientific sessions of the two associations :

#### AMERICAN ECONOMIC ASSOCIATION.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27—Evening Session, 8 p. m.

- I. Address of Welcome,  
Governor MATHEWS.
- II. Response by the President of the Association.
- III. President's Annual Address : "The Pure Theory of Economic Progress,"  
Professor JOHN B. CLARK, Columbia College.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28—Morning Session, 10 a. m.

Symposium.—The Relation of Changes in the Volume of the Currency to Prosperity.

Papers by Professor IRVING FISHER, Yale University, and President FRANCIS A. WALKER, Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Brief addresses by Professors WILLARD FISHER and EDWARD A. ROSS.

Afternoon Session, 3 p. m.

Symposium.—The Practicability and Desirability for the Commercial World of a Double Standard of Currency.

Papers by General A. J. WARNER, President of the American Bimetallic League, and Professor F. W. TAUSSIG, Harvard University. Brief addresses by Professors W. A. SCOTT, H. W. FARNAM, SIDNEY SHERWOOD and JOHN H. GRAY.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30—Morning Session, 10 a. m.

- I. Do We Want an Elastic Currency?  
Professor F. M. TAYLOR, University of Michigan.
- II. The Desirability of a Permanent Census Bureau,  
Professor RICHMOND MAYO-SMITH, Columbia College.

- III. The Density of Population in the United States in 1890,  
Professor WALTER F. WILLCOX, Cornell University.

Afternoon Session, 3 p. m.

- I. Some Unpublished Letters of David Ricardo,  
Dr. J. H. HOLLANDER, Johns Hopkins University.
- II. The Formulation of Normal Laws with Especial Reference to the  
Theory of Utility,  
Professor SIMON N. PATTEN, University of Pennsylvania.
- III. Pawn Shops and Their Work in Cincinnati,  
H. A. MILLIS, Fellow in Economics, Indiana State University.
- IV. The Fallacy of Saving,  
Dr. H. R. SEAGER, University of Pennsylvania.

POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION OF THE CENTRAL STATES.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30—Evening Session, 8 p. m.

President's Annual Address: "The Scope of Sociology,"

Professor ALBION W. SMALL, University of Chicago, First  
Vice-President.

AMERICAN ECONOMIC ASSOCIATION—POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION.  
(Joint Session.)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31—Morning Session, 10 a. m.

Symposium.—The Sphere of Voluntary Organization in Social Movements.

Papers by Professor F. H. GIDDINGS, Columbia College (A. E. A.), and Professor C. A. HENDERSON, University of Chicago (P. S. A.). Discussion by Professor LESTER F. WARD and Professor H. H. POWERS, for the Economic Association, and Professor GRAHAM TAYLOR, Hon. WILLIAM D. FOULKE, and President J. H. FINLEY, for the Political Science Association.

Afternoon Session, 2.30 p. m.

Symposium.—Present Obstacles to the Adoption of Business Methods in Municipal Administration.

Papers by Hon. FRANKLIN McVEAGH, Chicago, Ill. (P. S. A.), and CLINTON ROGERS WOODRUFF, Secretary of the National Municipal League (A. E. A.). Discussion by Professor JOHN H. GRAY, for the Political Science Association, and Professor J. W. JENKS, Professor J. R. COMMONS and Dr. E. W. BEMIS, for the American Economic Association.

## POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION OF THE CENTRAL STATES.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 1896—Morning Session, 10 a. m.

- I. Mirabeau a Victim of the *Lettres de Cachet*,  
Professor FRED M. FLING, University of Nebraska.
- II. The Worship of Reason in Paris during the Reign of Terror,  
Professor HENRY E. BOURNE, Western Reserve University.
- III. History and Geography,  
Professor U. G. WEATHERLY, University of Indiana.

Afternoon Session, 2.30 p. m.

- I. The Ohio River as a Gateway to the West,  
REUBEN G. THWAITES, ESQ., Secretary Wisconsin Historical Society.
- II. James Wilson and the Philadelphia Convention,  
Professor A. C. McLAUGHLIN, University of Michigan.
- III. The Earliest American Essay on Proportional Representation,  
Professor EDMUND J. JAMES, University of Chicago.
- IV. The Development of the Republican Party, 1789-1805, Geographically Considered,  
Dr. O. G. LIBBY, University of Wisconsin.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2—Morning Session, 9.30 a. m.

Symposium.—How may Collegiate and University Instruction in History, Economics, Political Science and Sociology be made more Effective for Good Citizenship.

Papers by Professor JOHN J. HALSEY, Lake Forest University, and Professor FREDERICK C. HICKS, University of Missouri.

Owing to the absence of some of the members of the Political Science Association, it was found possible to shorten the session somewhat without departing materially from the above program.

As the titles of the papers indicate, the money question was that which was foremost in the minds of the economists. The treatment of this question during the sessions of December 28 and 30, and through informal discussions on the Sunday intervening, was most exhaustive—not to say exhausting. Nearly every shade of opinion was ably represented, and this served to make this session one of the most instructive the association has ever held. The meetings were well attended and there was an unexpectedly large delegation of Eastern members of the American Economic Association present.

The council of this association held several meetings during the session. The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Professor Henry C. Adams, University of Michigan; Vice-Presidents, Professors Franklin H. Giddings, Columbia College; E. R.

L. Gould, Chicago University, and Roland P. Falkner, University of Pennsylvania; Secretary, Professor J. W. Jenks, Cornell University; Treasurer, Professor Charles H. Hull, Cornell University; Publication Committee: Professors F. W. Taussig, Harvard University, Chairman; Sidney Sherwood, Johns Hopkins University; Mr. John G. Brooks, Cambridge; Professors, H. H. Powers, Stanford University; Davis R. Dewey, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and W. A. Scott, University of Wisconsin. Members of the Council elected are as follows: (a) term of office expiring 1898, President F. A. Walker, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Professor John Cummings, Harvard University; Professor Frederick C. Clark, Ohio State University; Professor E. A. Ross, Stanford University; Professor W. A. Scott, University of Wisconsin; Professor W. F. Willcox, Cornell University; Professor F. W. Moore, Vanderbilt University, and in addition, all old members whose term expired 1895; (b) term of office expiring 1897, Professor Willard Fisher, Wesleyan University; Professor J. J. McNulty, College of the City of New York; Dr. Chas. J. Bullock, Cornell University; (c) term of office expiring 1896, Professor Francis Walker, Colorado College; Professor John F. Crowell, Smith College; Professor J. W. Crook, Amherst College; Professor Irving Fisher, Yale University.

The following resolutions relating to the publications of the American Economic Association were adopted by the Council:—

(1) The association shall issue a series of short studies, original or reprinted, not less than six a year nor more than twelve, in which practical questions shall be discussed.

(2) The publication committee shall consist of six members, two of whom shall be elected each year.

Also the following resolutions relating to the United States census: *Resolved*, that the American Economic Association express its sympathy with all efforts to improve census methods in the United States; and that the president appoint a committee to promote, if possible, an effective co-operation with the United States authorities in the plans and methods of future census operations. *Resolved*, that the American Statistical Association be invited to appoint a like committee to act with the committee of the American Economic Association.

No definite decision was arrived at as to the place of meeting for next year, but Nashville was the city most prominently mentioned in this connection.

The following is as complete a list of the members present at the meetings as can be given:

Professor Edw. W. Bemis, Chicago; Dr. A. F. Bentley, Chicago; Mr. Warren Bigler, Wabash, Ind.; Professor T. N. Carver, Oberlin

College; Professor R. C. Chapin, Beloit College; Professor F. C. Clark, Ohio State University; Professor J. B. Clark, Columbia College; Professor J. P. Cushing, Knox College; Professor W. M. Daniels, Princeton College; Professor R. P. Falkner, University of Pennsylvania; Professor H. W. Farnam, Yale University; Professor F. Fetter, University of Indiana; Professor Irving Fisher, Yale University; Professor Willard Fisher, Wesleyan University; Professor W. W. Folwell, University of Minnesota; Professor John H. Gray, Northwestern University; Professor E. R. L. Gould, University of Chicago; Mr. J. C. Hagerty, Laporte, Ind.; Professor C. R. Henderson, University of Chicago; Dr. J. H. Hollander, Johns Hopkins University; Professor C. H. Hull, Cornell University; Mr. C. M. Hubbard, Cincinnati; Professor J. W. Jenks, Cornell University; Professor George W. Knight, Ohio State University; Dr. S. M. Lindsay, University of Pennsylvania; Professor Richmond Mayo-Smith, Columbia College; Professor J. J. McNulty, College of the City of New York; Mr. H. A. Millis, Cincinnati; Professor F. W. Moore, Vanderbilt University; Mr. W. H. Motsinger, Shoals, Ind.; Mr. Charles R. Murphy, Decatur, Ills.; Professor Simon N. Patten, University of Pennsylvania; Professor H. H. Powers, Leland Stanford Jr. University; Professor Edward Alsworth Ross, Leland Stanford Jr. University; Miss Alice M. Schoff, Cincinnati; Professor Wm. A. Scott, University of Wisconsin; Dr. H. R. Seager, University of Pennsylvania; Mr. R. P. Shepherd, Hiram, O.; Professor Sidney Sherwood, Johns Hopkins University; Professor F. W. Taussig, Harvard University; Professor F. M. Taylor, University of Michigan; Professor W. G. L. Taylor, University of Nebraska; Mr. Reuben G. Thwaites, University of Wisconsin; Professor C. W. Tooke, University of Illinois; Professor C. A. Tuttle, Wabash College; Mr. F. J. Van Voorhis, Indianapolis; General A. J. Warner, Marietta, Ohio; Professor L. F. Ward, Smithsonian Institution; Professor J. R. Weaver, De Pauw University; Professor W. F. Willcox, Cornell University; Professor J. A. Woodburn, University of Indiana; Professor A. Yager, Georgetown, Ky.

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